CLAIMS

We claim:

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- In a floor vinyl repair method, the improvement which comprises placing a spacing apparatus between a vinyl patch and a damaged vinyl section prior to cutting through the vinyl patch and through the damaged vinyl section, wherein the spacing apparatus has a central region and edge regions and the spacing apparatus central region is thicker than the edge regions.
- 2. A method for repairing floor vinyl, comprising: placing a spacer between a vinyl patch and a damaged vinyl section so that said vinyl patch is elevated slightly above said damaged vinyl section; cutting both said vinyl patch and said damaged vinyl section, whereby the slight elevation of said vinyl patch allows for a slight increase in a perimeter of said vinyl patch to offset contraction of said vinyl patch after cutting; and replacing said damaged vinyl section with said patch.
- 3. The method of Claim 2, wherein the spacer is shaped like a domed-disc.
- 4. The method of Claim 2, wherein the spacer has a central region with a thickness and an edge region having a thickness, and wherein the central region thickness is greater than the edge region thickness.
 - The method of Claim 2, wherein a plurality of said spacers are stacked between the vinyl patch and the damaged vinyl section to increase the elevation of the vinyl patch above said damaged vinyl section.
 - 6. A method for repairing floor covering comprising: placing a domed-disc spacing apparatus between a floor covering patch and a damaged floor covering section so that said floor covering patch is elevated slightly above said damaged floor covering section prior to cutting both said patch and said damaged section;

cutting both said patch and said damaged section, whereby the slight
elevation of said patch allows for a slight increase in a perimeter of said patch to
offset retraction of edges of said patch after cutting; and
replacing said damaged vinyl section with said patch.

- 7. The method of Claim 6, wherein the domed-disc has edges forming a square shape.
- The method of Claim 6, wherein a plurality of said domed-disc spacing apparatus are stacked in between the patch and the damaged section.
- 9. A method for repairing floor covering, comprising:

placing a spacing apparatus between a floor covering patch and a damaged floor covering section so that the patch is elevated slightly above the damaged section, wherein the spacing apparatus comprising a protrusion on a bottom side of the spacing apparatus for sticking into the damaged floor covering section to temporarily secure the spacing apparatus to the damaged floor covering section;

cutting both the patch and that damaged section, whereby the slight elevation of the patch allows for a slight increase in a perimeter of the patch to offset stretching of the patch prior to cutting; and

replacing the damaged section with the patch.

- 10. The method of Claim 9, wherein the spacing apparatus has a top surface that is a dome shape.
- 11. The method of Claim 9, wherein the spacing apparatus has edges forming a square shape.
- 12. The method of Claim 9, wherein a plurality of said spacing apparatus are stacked in between the patch and the damaged section.

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